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Editorial Note

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[Dear Friends!](#)



Happy 2018! Let's make this year a successful one in improving sexual and reproductive health and rights. We need some positive change after 2017!

As we look back on 2017, we are reminded that we cannot take our wins and rights for granted. It was a special year: filled with pushbacks and challenges for the SRHR community around the world as well as incredible examples of civil society mobilization which proves that we are determined not to go backwards.

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[RHM Call for Papers – Exploring sexual and reproductive health and rights \(SRHR\) inequities within countries](#)

In this issue, we ask authors to explore differences in services, quality of services and care, health knowledge, and health outcomes within countries, based on what are often intersecting social divisions such as race, age, ethnicity, caste, disability, sexuality, and gender.

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Hot Topics

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[FP2020's report reveals family planning wins & challenges in the world's poorest countries](#)



On 5 December, Family Planning 2020 (FP2020) released its annual report which shows progress made in 2017 towards achieving the target of providing an additional 120 million women and girls with access to modern contraceptive by 2020. The report notes that an additional 38.8 million women and girls are using contraceptives since 2012, and that in the period of July 2016-2017, 84 million unintended pregnancies, 26 million unsafe abortions, and 125,000 maternal deaths were prevented thanks to the use of modern contraception.

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[Webinar: Do women have access to Emergency Contraception in crisis settings?](#)

Join this webinar if you want to find out about research projects in Africa, Asia and the Middle East regarding refugee women's access to emergency contraception in crisis settings.

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[OpenWHO](#)

The World Health Organization has launched a new interactive platform aimed at facilitating knowledge sharing via online courses on how to improve the response to health emergencies.

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Focus on Europe

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[Migrant women and girls and their access to SRHR in Europe](#)



While thinking about sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), Europe is praised for its leadership, however the inequities related to various SRHR aspects remain across different regions or certain groups. Read this inspiring interview with Anna Zobnina of the European

[Everybody Matters – Good practices for inclusion of people with disabilities in SRHR programmes](#)

This new resource highlights good practices for inclusion of people with disabilities in programmes addressing sexual and reproductive health and rights.



Network of Migrant Women who shared with us the struggles faced by migrant women in the European continent and concrete recommendations related to these challenges.

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SDGs for young people, young people for SDGs



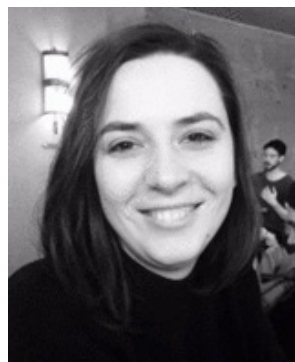
The meeting “SDGs for Young People, Young People for SDGs. Tracking progress in achieving youth-related SDG and ICPD goals in Europe and Central Asia” took place on 4-5 December 2017 in Sofia, Bulgaria. The meeting had two primary objectives: to review progress and identify priorities in advancing the youth agenda of the ICPD and 2030 Agenda; and to discuss synergies between the ICPD Beyond 2014 regional review outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

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Eurongos Updates

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Farewell to Anamaria Suci



It is with mixed feelings that we inform you that Anamaria Suci, administrative assistant, is transferring to IPPF EN where she will take on a position as program and performance assistant. Anamaria has been a valuable member of our team and has grown a lot over the last few months. She has played a critical role in the preparations and logistics for the conference and has taken on numerous communications tasks. We will miss her but are happy to know she will be just down the hall from our office.

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Get inspired

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Poland: The Draft Law Penalizing Abortion in Case of Foetal Impairment Submitted to the Parliament



On November, 30 2017, the “Stop Abortion” Civic Committee has tabled 830 000 signatures under the bill that would ban abortion in one of the three cases in which abortion is allowed according to the Bill of 1993. The organisers of the campaign, with a strong and active support of the Polish Episcopate and parishes all over the country, have been spreading myths about how and when abortion is performed referring to numbers that deny the reality.

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Sexual Health Switzerland: Update on the Universal Periodic Review of

Blind Spot: Reaching out to men and boys

A new report has been launched by the UNAIDS Executive Director Michel Sidibé highlighting the fact that men are less likely than women and girls to know their HIV status and to access treatment.

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The PACT: CSE and Me

A new resource written by young people has been published by The PACT on lessons learnt from advocating for Comprehensive Sexuality Education in restrictive or conservative environments.

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Training matters: A new framework on the competencies of sexuality educators

This framework has been developed by The Federal Centre for Health Education (BZgA), the WHO Regional Office for Europe and the European Expert Group on Sexuality Education and is meant to be used in the development or revision of training programmes for sexuality educators.

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Summary of the 15th International Dialogue in 2017

The conference magazine is highlighting the main takeaways from all the sessions of the 15th International Dialogue in 2017 with the topic of Leaving No-one Behind on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights that took place on 23-24 November 2017 in Berlin, Germany.

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RHM New journal issue - Humanitarian crises: advancing sexual and reproductive health and rights

The articles published in this

Switzerland



On November 9th, Switzerland underwent the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) before the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva at the 28th session of the UPR Working Group. SEXUAL HEALTH Switzerland had submitted in spring a shadow report on sexual rights and participated in the hearing.

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Sex og Politikk Hosted an IPPF Conference on CSE Best Practices in

SEX og POLITIKK

Comprehensive sexuality education is an essential component in promoting SRHR, and in December, members of The International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) came together from all over the world to discuss best practices. There were two major outcomes from the conference: An exchange and discussion of best practices on CSE and a joint statement from IPPF to the Norwegian government and UNFPA. This was the first time a global conference like this took place and one of the key takeaways was that in order to promote, enable and deliver CSE, you need to know your context well.

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Share-Net: Successful Student-NGO Collaborations – A Practical Guide



Share-Net has recently published a practical guide for successful student-NGO collaborations. To encourage beneficial collaborations for all stakeholders involved, this practical guide proposes a set of guidelines that can be used by NGOs and universities to streamline their communication by making mutual assumptions, expectations and challenges explicit at the start of a new collaboration.

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YouAct: Europe Unite for CSE Rights



Youth advocates from Cyprus, Georgia, Poland, Romania and the Netherlands joined forces for the “Europe Unite for CSE Rights” campaign, aimed at bringing attention to the need for comprehensive sexuality education (CSE) and for young people’s sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) in each national context.

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Jobs

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Director at End FGM Network

The End FGM European Network (End FGM EU) is looking for a dynamic

journal issue cover a range of topics such as safe abortion care, gender-based violence, sexual violence against men and sex work among refugees. Studies also address quality improvement and training of health workers with the aim of improving practice and care for better maternal and newborn health outcomes.

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Director to lead its activities, European (EU) level advocacy, bridge building between Europe and the rest of the world and fundraising functions.

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[Network Coordinator at YouAct](#)

YouAct, the European Youth Network on Sexual and Reproductive Rights, is looking for a part-time network coordinator. YouAct offers an international, dynamic and challenging working environment, where we stimulate young people to build their capacity and youth leadership and participation in decision making processes.

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[SRI is hiring](#)

The Sexual Rights Initiative (SRI) is currently expanding its Geneva-based presence. They are seeking highly motivated, effective and experienced staff with a firm grounding in feminist principles and analysis to play important roles in achieving the goals of the coalition.

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